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OHIO REPUBLICAN PARTY STATE CENTRAL
& EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
211 S. FIFTH STREET
COLUMBUS, OH 43215

Response Due Date 06/21/2013

**IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00162339** 

REFERENCE: AMENDED OCTOBER MONTHLY REPORT (09/01/2012 - 09/30/2012),

RECEIVED 03/19/2013

## Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following 6 item(s):

- 1. Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why the disbursements were made. Please amend Schedule B for Line 30(b) of your report to clarify the following description(s): "GOTV deployment not candidate specific." For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).
- 2. Schedule A supporting Line 12 discloses a transfer(s)-in from "Republican National Committee," "National Republican Senatorial Committee," and "National Republican Congressional Comm." Schedule B supporting Line 30(b) reflects payments for "yard signs for volunteer distribution," "Yard signs for volunteer distributions," and "yard signs and placards non allocable distributed by volunteers." Please be advised that a state or local party committee may pay for campaign materials (such as pins, posters, bumper stickers and yard signs) that are distributed by volunteers in connection with activity on behalf of the party's nominees in a general election and for voter drive activity conducted on behalf of the party's Presidential and Vice Presidential nominees. Payments for this type of activity are exempt from the definition of a contribution or expenditure if certain conditions are met. The conditions are that no public advertising may be used, including distribution by direct mail (mailings by a commercial vendor or from commercial lists); all